

Frequently Asked Questions Deer Hollow Farm School Year Registration

Why is registration based on a lottery system?

Deer Hollow Farm is funded primarily by the City of Mountain View, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (MROSD) and Santa Clara County. Part of the agreement between these three agencies includes giving Mountain View schools priority registration, followed by schools within both Santa Clara County and MROSD, then schools within either the County or MROSD, and then all others.

How will the lottery work?

Farm staff will hold a private lottery during the week of September 12, 2011. One-third of all available openings are reserved for schools located in Mountain View (Priority 1), one-third for schools located in both Santa Clara County and the MROSD (Priority 2) and one-third for schools located in either the County or the District (Priority 3). Registration forms that are not selected during each stage of the lottery will be mixed with the following Priority group. We will do our best to accommodate all of the requests, but if the schedule is filled you will be placed on a waitlist.

How do I know when classes will be offered?

Please refer to the Deer Hollow Farm School Year Calendar. Classes are offered every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from October 4, 2011 through May 24, 2012. There are no classes December 13 through December 29. **Please note your school holidays, minimum and testing days** when selecting your preferred dates.

When will I receive confirmation that my class is registered?

Class contracts will be in the mail by Friday, September 23, 2011.

How much does a class cost?

The following formula is used to determine the class fee. Location Fees are listed below. Fees reflect the primary funding sources of Deer Hollow Farm: City of Mountain View, Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District and Santa Clara County.

$$\text{Class Fee} = \# \text{ hours} \times \# \text{ classes} \times \text{Location Fee}$$

Class fee example;

A Mountain View school attending a 2-hour Farm and Garden program with 3 classes will pay \$138.00

$$2 \text{ hours} \times 3 \text{ classes} \times \$23.00 (\text{MV school fee}) = \$138.00$$

Location Fees

Priority 1: Schools in Mountain View	\$23.00 per hour per class
Priority 2: Schools in Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Los Gatos, Monte Sereno, Saratoga, Palo Alto, Cupertino, Sunnyvale and surrounding and incorporated areas within the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (MROSD) and Santa Clara County (County)	\$46.00 per hour per class
Priority 3: Schools in Gilroy, Morgan Hill, Menlo Park, Portola Valley, Atherton, Campbell, East Palo Alto, Milpitas, Redwood City, San Carlos, Santa Clara, San Jose, Woodside and surrounding and incorporated areas with the MROSD and the County	\$69.00 per hour per class
Priority 4: All other schools	\$95.00 per hour per class

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When is payment due?

Payment must be received by **Tuesday, November 1, 2011**. Payment information will be included with the class contract. Checks are payable to the City of Mountain View. Credit card payments are accepted in person at the Mountain View Community Center, 201 S. Rengstorff Avenue, Mountain View.

Is my class eligible for a Friends of Deer Hollow Farm Scholarship?

Scholarship funds are available for schools with a minimum of one-third of the students participating in the Federal Lunch program. For more information, please see the Friends of Deer Hollow Farm web site at www.fodhf.org or contact them at info@fodhf.org. They can also be contacted by mail at P.O. Box 4282, Mountain View, California, 94040. Scholarship confirmation will be included with your class contract, mailed by September 23, 2011.